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MEDIA RELEASE

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Action taken by Branson Board of Aldermen **Action taken by Branson Board of Aldermen at the** **February 9, 2016 Meeting**

Hearing: The Pantry

A hearing was held by the Board to consider action on a complaint filed by the City's Liquor Control Specialist against the Pantry located at 164 Fall Creek Drive in violation of Chapter 6 of the Branson Municipal Code. The Board voted to suspend the liquor license for seven days from March 18-24. This will follow the findings of fact and conclusions of law presented for final approval of the Board at the February 23rd Board of Aldermen Meeting.

Hearing: Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar

A hearing was held by the Board to consider action on a complaint filed by the City's Liquor Control Specialist against Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar located at 1836 W. Highway 76 in violation of Chapter 6 of the Branson Municipal Code. The Board voted to suspend the liquor license for three days from March 18-20. This will follow the findings of fact and conclusions of law presented for final approval of the Board at the February 23rd Board of Aldermen Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA - SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE BILLS

Approval of Board of Aldermen Minutes:

- a) January 21, 2016 Study Session
- b) January 26, 2016 Special Meeting

Acknowledge Receipt of Minutes:

- a) Board of Adjustment meeting of September 25, 2014
- b) Board of Adjustment meeting of November 12, 2015
- c) Budget & Finance Committee meeting of November 19, 2015

Acknowledge Receipt of Annexation Petition filed for:

- a) Property located at 1192 Bird Road

Police: Communications Maintenance and Equipment Contract

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal from Radiophone Engineering to provide communications services, including radio repair and service, emergency

vehicle equipment installation, and the purchase of specific radio equipment as needed for city departments including police and fire. The contract amount is estimated to be \$50,000.

Engineering: Licensing Agreement for ESRI Software

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal from Environmental Systems Research Institute to provide an enterprise license for GIS software. This agreement provides licensing for city staff to use the software and maintenance of the ESRI software. This program is used primarily by the Engineering Department, but other departments as well including Utilities and Fire for GIS support. The contract amount is estimated to be \$27,000 annually.

Finance: Lease Purchase Agreement for Telephone System Equipment

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Clayton Holdings, LLC for a tax-exempt, State and Municipal Lease/Purchase agreement for telephone system equipment. This lease purchase is a three-year contract with an annual cost of \$64,884.36.

Information Technology: Purchase of a Voice over IP Telephone System

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Dazzee Integrations pertaining to the purchase and installation of a new VOIP Telephone System for the City. This proposal will replace existing phone system infrastructure for City departments with the latest and most up-to-date telecommunication technology. The service is estimated at \$170,310.27.

Information Technology: Managed Network Services Solution

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Dazzee Integrations for managed network services solution; monitoring, maintenance, and support for the Information Technology Department. This proposal supports the I.T. department to support the City staff and manage network services for the City's growing I.T. infrastructure. The services is estimated at \$63,600 for 2016.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS (1st Readings and public hearings)

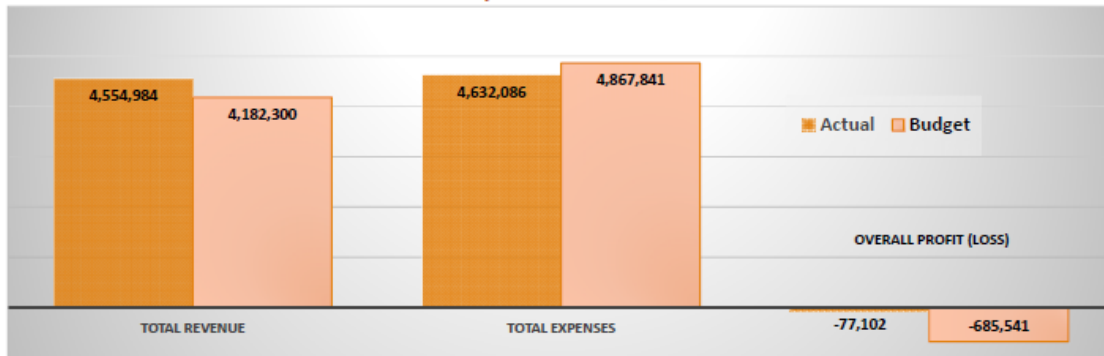
Public Works: Concrete Purchase

The Board gave final approval to the proposal from Tablerock Asphalt Construction Company, Inc., for the purchase of concrete to complete floor and flatwork of the new Salt Barn Storage Facility on Keeter Street. The concrete finish work for this project will be completed by City staff saving approximately \$30,000. The contract amount is set at \$31,675.

Branson Convention Center Report

The Board heard a report presented by Marc Mulherin on the Branson Convention Center (BCC) Year-End 2015 Review. Mr. Mulherin shared successes in the year highlighting the Convention Center budget and giving credit to the hard work of his team to operate the facility with a focus on fiscal responsibility. Examples include the return of the second annual Fustol tournament growing from 37 teams in the first year to 76 this year. The BCC was proud to host diverse events such as the Collector Car Show, Cheering Events, Utility Companies, MMA Fights and various businesses. The BCC also reports their focus to reduce energy consumption provided for a 12.55% decrease in electric usage equaling over \$66,000 in savings. Additionally the BCC has focused on recycling of materials used including pallets, light bulbs, glass, cardboard, cooking oil plus food composting, all reducing waste going into the landfills and charges for dumpster hauling.

Actual vs. Budget January - December 2015



1. **Total Revenue** - Actual Revenue: \$4,554,984 / Budget = \$4,182,300 / Variance = \$372,684 above budget
2. **Total Expenses** - Actual Expenses: \$4,632,086 / Budget = \$4,867,841 / Variance = \$235,755 below budget
3. **Overall Profit and Loss** - Loss of (\$77,102) exceeded budgeted loss of (\$685,541) by \$608,439



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Planning: Annexation Request fro 239 Quebec Drive

The Board held a public hearing and held the first reading of a bill for a request to annex property located at 239 Quebec Drive. The board voted to deny the request to annex the property. The denial is part of the process to provide City sewer services to residences in this neighborhood, including this subject property, without formal annexation of the property.

Utilities: Agreement Renewal with Missouri American Water

The Board approved the first reading of a bill approving the renewal of an agreement with Missouri American Water Company (MAWC) for water termination services. The agreement allows MAWC to terminate water services to a customer that has failed to pay their City sewer bill, following the established billing and delinquent payment notification process.

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The Board approved the first reading of a bill approving the renewal of an agreement with Missouri American Water (MAWC) for the purchase of water usage data. Under this agreement MAWC will make available to the City, monthly water usage of their customers connected to the City sewer system to enable the City to accurately charge for the monthly volume of sewer service used by the customers.

Engineering: Pedestrian Way Uniform Joint Use Easement Agreement

The Board approved the first reading of *two bills* approving the 76 Country Boulevard Pedestrian Way Uniform Joint Use Easement Agreement for property owned by Wilder Auto, LLC, dba Branson Auto Museum located at 1335 W. State Highway 76 and Wilder Grain Limited at 1405 W. State Highway 76. The 76 Country Boulevard Revitalization project will require the city to enter into agreements with adjoining property owners pertaining to the planned improvements along their highway frontage. This easement provides support for design, landscaping and construction of the pedestrian way in front of the business.

Human Resources: Medical Broker

The Board approved the first reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Ollis, Akers and Arney for brokerage services for the City's medical, dental and life insurance, vision plans, and wellness programs.

(Background materials on all agenda items, including audio of the entire Board of Aldermen meeting can be accessed by going to www.bransonmo.gov and clicking on the "Agendas & Minutes" button on the right side of the website homepage.)